

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	SMITH ET AL.	Examiner:	N. OGDEN JR.
Serial No.:	10/723,455	Group Art Unit:	1751
Filed:	NOVEMBER 25, 2003	Docket No.:	163.1735USU1
Confirmation No.:	5980	Customer No.:	23552
Title:	CLEANING COMPOSITION FOR HANDLING WATER HARDNESS AND METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING AND USING		

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

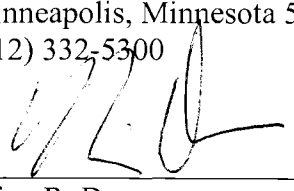
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 1-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 30, 2006, said period of response being extended from February 28, 2007 to March 30, 2007.

Our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 is being charged in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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